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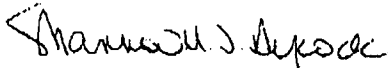
Dear Attorney Hesse:

I encourage approval of the proposed settlement in the U.S. v. Microsoft so that technology companies can focus on innovation and competition rather than litigation.

As a consumer and an educator, I find that the Microsoft products are easy to use and allow integration of several software programs for consumers who do not have a lot of experience with computer programs. This settlement will allow continued ease for the consumer while at the same time providing some safeguards that Microsoft's competitors wanted to guarantee them and consumers greater flexibility in the use of other operating systems.

The settlement will allow access to technical specifications, provide a mechanism for removing products such as the Internet browser, and sets up a Technical Committee to respond to complaints about Microsoft's compliance with the settlement provisions. The settlement offers benefits to the technology industry and consumers and provides a reasonable compromise.

Sincerely,


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